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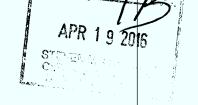
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vs.

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COUNT 1 Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 19 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
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did willfully, that is, with the intent to further the objects of the conspiracy, and knowingly combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States of America, that is:

- a. to knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, United, Coventry, Silverscript, Stonebridge, Humana, Simply, BCBS. LINet, and Medco, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347; and
- b. to knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and for obtaining money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, knowing the pretenses, representations, and promises were false and fraudulent when made, and for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, certain writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, in violation of Title 18,

United States Code, Section 1343.

PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their coconspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing
the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (b) concealing the
submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (c) concealing the
receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and
benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

The manner and means by which the defendants and their co-conspirators sought to accomplish the objects and purpose of the conspiracy included, among others, the following:

- 4. **RONALD DIAZ** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Richard's, Solutions, La Botica, La Botica 2, Total, and M&P to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 5. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Richard's, Solutions, La Botica, La Botica 2, Total, and M&P in the approximate amount of \$7,033,753.
- 6. **RONALD DIAZ** and **MERCEDES MAYA** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various

health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by New Life to Medicare beneficiaries.

- 7. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to the corporate bank accounts of New Life in the approximate amount of \$2,457,010.
- 8. RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by La Roca to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 9. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to La Roca in the approximate amount of \$933,523.
- 10. **RONALD DIAZ, MERCEDES MAYA, GLADYS CABRERA,** and others used the proceeds of the health care fraud for their personal use and benefit, and to further the fraud.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

COUNTS 2-25 Health Care Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347)

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Purpose of the Scheme and Artifice

3. It was a purpose of the scheme and artifice for the defendants and their accomplices to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

The Scheme and Artifice

The allegations contained in paragraphs 4 through 10 of the Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein as a description of the scheme and artifice.

Acts in Execution or Attempted Execution of the Scheme and Artifice

On or about the dates specified as to each count below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants as specified in each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, that is, Medicare, United,

Coventry, Silverscript, Stonebridge, Humana, Simply, BCBS, LINet and Medco, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in that the defendants submitted and caused the submission of false and fraudulent claims seeking the identified dollar amounts, representing that the pharmacies provided pharmaceutical items and services to Medicare beneficiaries pursuant to physicians' orders and prescriptions as set forth below:

Count	Defendant(s)	Pharmacy	Bene.	Approx. Date of Service	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan Sponsor
2	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	New Life	J.M.	4/10/14	46787313452	Solaraze Gel 3% W/W; \$810	Silverscript
3	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	New Life	A.M.	5/9/14	44143516409	Exelon Dis 9.5MG/24; \$345	Coventry
4	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	Richard's	S.M.	6/3/14	39319348391	Voriconazol 200MG; \$1,625	Silverscript
5	RONALD DIAZ	Richard's	A.D.	6/11/14	45883651743	Voriconazol 200MG; \$1,625	United
6	RONALD DIAZ	New Life	R.A	6/12/14	39977424439	Calcipotrien Cre 0.005%; \$615	Stonebridge
7	RONALD DIAZ	New Life	M.W.	7/15/14	40788802076	Calcipotrien Cre 0.005%; \$601	Coventry
8	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	A.H.	9/10/14	44716217234	Exelon Dis 9.5MG/24; \$348	Humana

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9	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	H.A.	9/16/14	42889004582	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$777	Simply Healthcare
10	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	F.T.	9/17/14	44421709164	Crestor Tab 10MG; \$222	Silverscript
11	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	D.H.	9/19/14	52191370174	Vesicare Tab 10MG; \$222	Preferred Care Partners
12	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	L.F.	10/6/14	46149932194	Abilify Tab 30MG; \$1,027	United
13	RONALD DIAZ	Total	M.V.	10/22/14	43425743133	Restasis Emu 0.05%; \$334	United
14	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	M.G.	10/23/14	43091009493	Abilify Tab 30MG; \$1,127	BCBS
15	RONALD DIAZ	Total	P.R.	12/2/14	44122525173	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$786	Simply Healthcare
16	RONALD DIAZ	Total	D.R.	12/19/14	44409984431	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$766	LINet
17	RONALD DIAZ	Solutions	B.A.	1/22/15	44904090698	Seroquel XR 400 MG; \$1,286	Coventry
18	RONALD DIAZ	Solutions	A.D.	1/25/15	44989893854	Abilify 20MG; \$1,269	Medco
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20	RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA	La Roca	M.A.	5/4/15	47591373585	Namenda Tab 10MG; \$173	Medco

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22	RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA	La Roca	A.D.	7/7/15	50146568411	Sensipar Tab 60MG; \$1,204	Medco
23	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	M.A.	9/23/15	49608466998	Voriconazol Tab 200MG; \$620	Medco
24	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	J.G.	10/2/15	49997389401	Advair Disku AER 100/50; \$255	BCBS
25	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	F.J.L.	10/9/15	49977324054	Namenda Tab 5MG; \$407	LINet

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

COUNT 26 Money Laundering (18 U.S.C. § 1957)

On or about the date set forth below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendant,

RONALD DIAZ,

did knowingly engage and attempt to engage in a monetary transaction by, through, and to a financial institution affecting interstate and foreign commerce, involving criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, and such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the monetary transactions was derived from specified unlawful activity, as more specifically described below:

Approximate Date	Financial Institution Involved	Approximate Value of Monetary Transaction Exceeding \$10,000
December 9, 2013	Transfer to HD Smith LLC from JP Morgan Chase account# 212106039	\$10, 948

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is health care fraud in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

FORFEITURE (18 U.S.C. § 982(2)(7))

- 1. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America of certain property in which the defendants, RONALD DIAZ, MERCEDES MAYA, and GLADYS CABRERA, have an interest.
- 2. Upon conviction of any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 or 1349, as alleged in Counts 1 through 25 of this Indictment, the defendants shall forfeit to the United States all of their respective right, title, and interest in any property, real or personal, that constitutes or is derived, directly or indirectly, from gross proceeds traceable to the commission of such violation, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(7).
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- 4. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to the sum of \$10,428,019 in United States currency, which amount is equal to the gross proceeds traceable to the commission of the violations alleged in this Indictment, which the United States will seek as a forfeiture money judgment as part of the defendants' sentence.
- 5. If the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants,
 - (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with a third party;
 - (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
 - (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the above forfeitable property and, in addition, to seek a court order requiring the defendants to return any such property to the jurisdiction of the court for seizure and forfeiture.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(1) and 982(a)(7); and the procedures set forth at Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as made applicable by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1).

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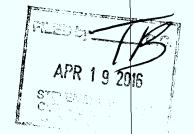
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COUNT 1 Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1349)

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- 2. From in or around March of 2013, and continuing through in or around March of 2016, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

RONALD DIAZ, MERCEDES MAYA, and GLADYS CABRERA,

did willfully, that is, with the intent to further the objects of the conspiracy, and knowingly combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other, and others known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit offenses against the United States of America, that is:

- a. to knowingly and willfully execute a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, United, Coventry, Silverscript, Stonebridge, Humana, Simply, BCBS, LINet, and Medco, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347; and
- b. to knowingly and with the intent to defraud, devise and intend to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud and for obtaining money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, knowing the pretenses, representations, and promises were false and fraudulent when made, and for the purpose of executing the scheme and artifice, did knowingly transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire communication in interstate commerce, certain writings, signs, signals, pictures and sounds, in violation of Title 18,

United States Code, Section 1343.

PURPOSE OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. It was the purpose of the conspiracy for the defendants and their coconspirators to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing
the submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (b) concealing the
submission of false and fraudulent claims to health care benefit programs; (c) concealing the
receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and
benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

The manner and means by which the defendants and their co-conspirators sought to accomplish the objects and purpose of the conspiracy included, among others, the following:

- 4. **RONALD DIAZ** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by Richard's, Solutions, La Botica, La Botica 2, Total, and M&P to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 5. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to Richard's, Solutions, La Botica, La Botica 2, Total, and M&P in the approximate amount of \$7,033,753.
- 6. **RONALD DIAZ** and **MERCEDES MAYA** submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various

health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by New Life to Medicare beneficiaries.

- 7. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to the corporate bank accounts of New Life in the approximate amount of \$2,457,010.
- 8. RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA submitted and caused the submission of claims, via interstate wires, which falsely and fraudulently represented that various health care benefits, primarily prescription drugs, were medically necessary, prescribed by a doctor, and had been provided by La Roca to Medicare beneficiaries.
- 9. As a result of such false and fraudulent claims, Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors, through their PBMs, made payments funded by the Medicare Part D Program to La Roca in the approximate amount of \$933,523.
- 10. **RONALD DIAZ, MERCEDES MAYA, GLADYS CABRERA,** and others used the proceeds of the health care fraud for their personal use and benefit, and to further the fraud.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.

COUNTS 2-25 Health Care Fraud (18 U.S.C. § 1347)

- 1. Paragraphs 1 through 19 of the General Allegations section of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
- 2. From in or around March of 2013, and continuing through in or around March of 2016, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants as specified as to each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for

health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, a scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, as defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 24(b), that is, Medicare, United, Coventry, Silverscript, Stonebridge, Humana, Simply, BCBS, LINet and Medco, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of said health care benefit programs.

Purpose of the Scheme and Artifice

3. It was a purpose of the scheme and artifice for the defendants and their accomplices to unlawfully enrich themselves by, among other things: (a) submitting and causing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (b) concealing the submission of false and fraudulent claims to a health care benefit program; (c) concealing the receipt of the fraud proceeds; and (d) diverting the fraud proceeds for their personal use and benefit, and the use and benefit of others, and to further the fraud.

The Scheme and Artifice

The allegations contained in paragraphs 4 through 10 of the Manner and Means section of Count 1 of this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein as a description of the scheme and artifice.

Acts in Execution or Attempted Execution of the Scheme and Artifice

On or about the dates specified as to each count below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants as specified in each count below, in connection with the delivery of and payment for health care benefits, items, and services, did knowingly and willfully execute, and attempt to execute, the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud a health care benefit program affecting commerce, that is, Medicare, United,

Coventry, Silverscript, Stonebridge, Humana, Simply, BCBS, LINet and Medco, and to obtain, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, money and property owned by, and under the custody and control of, said health care benefit programs, in that the defendants submitted and caused the submission of false and fraudulent claims seeking the identified dollar amounts, representing that the pharmacies provided pharmaceutical items and services to Medicare beneficiaries pursuant to physicians' orders and prescriptions as set forth below:

Count	Defendant(s)	Pharmacy	Bene.	Approx. Date of Service	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan Sponsor
2	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	New Life	J.M.	4/10/14	46787313452	Solaraze Gel 3% W/W; \$810	Silverscript
3	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	New Life	A.M.	5/9/14	44143516409	Exelon Dis 9.5MG/24; \$345	Coventry
4	RONALD DIAZ and MERCEDES MAYA	Richard's	S.M.	6/3/14	39319348391	Voriconazol 200MG; \$1,625	Silverscript
5	RONALD DIAZ	Richard's	A.D.	6/11/14	45883651743	Voriconazol 200MG; \$1,625	United
6	RONALD DIAZ	New Life	R.A	6/12/14	39977424439	Calcipotrien Cre 0.005%; \$615	Stonebridge
7	RONALD DIAZ	New Life	M.W.	7/15/14	40788802076	Calcipotrien Cre 0.005%; \$601	Coventry
8	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	A.H.	9/10/14	44716217234	Exelon Dis 9.5MG/24; \$348	Humana

Count	Defendant(s)	Pharmacy	Bene.	Approx. Date of Service	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan Sponsor
9	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	H.A.	9/16/14	42889004582	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$777	Simply Healthcare
10	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	F.T.	9/17/14	44421709164	Crestor Tab 10MG; \$222	Silverscript
11	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica 2	D.H.	9/19/14	52191370174	Vesicare Tab 10MG; \$222	Preferred Care Partners
12	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	L.F.	10/6/14	46149932194	Abilify Tab 30MG; \$1,027	United
13	RONALD DIAZ	Total	M.V.	10/22/14	43425743133	Restasis Emu 0.05%; \$334	United
14	RONALD DIAZ	La Botica	M.G.	10/23/14	43091009493	Abilify Tab 30MG; \$1,127	BCBS
15	RONALD DIAZ	Total	P.R.	12/2/14	44122525173	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$786	Simply Healthcare
16	RONALD DIAZ	Total	D.R.	12/19/14	44409984431	Megace ES Sus 625/5ML; \$766	LINet
17	RONALD DIAZ	Solutions	B.A.	1/22/15	44904090698	Seroquel XR 400 MG; \$1,286	Coventry
18	RONALD DIAZ	Solutions	A.D.	1/25/15	44989893854	Abilify 20MG; \$1,269	Medco
19	RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA	La Roca	E.S.	4/27/15	47859736804	Seroquel XR 300 MG; \$601	Medco
20	RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA	La Roca	M.A.	5/4/15	47591373585	Namenda Tab 10MG; \$173	Medco

Count	Defendant(s)	Pharmacy	Bene.	Approx. Date of Service	PDE Claim Unique ID Number	Item Claimed; Approx. Amount Claimed	Medicare Drug Plan Sponsor
21	RONALD DIAZ	Solutions	J.B.	5/28/15	47352832392	Budesonide Cap 3MG/24HR; \$1,273	BCBS
22	RONALD DIAZ and GLADYS CABRERA	La Roca	A.D.	7/7/15	50146568411	Sensipar Tab 60MG; \$1,204	Medco
23	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	M.A.	9/23/15	49608466998	Voriconazol Tab 200MG; \$620	Medco
24	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	J.G.	10/2/15	49997389401	Advair Disku AER 100/50; \$255	BCBS
25	RONALD DIAZ	M&P	F.J.L.	10/9/15	49977324054	Namenda Tab 5MG; \$407	LINet

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 and 2.

COUNT 26 Money Laundering (18 U.S.C. § 1957)

On or about the date set forth below, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendant,

RONALD DIAZ,

did knowingly engage and attempt to engage in a monetary transaction by, through, and to a financial institution affecting interstate and foreign commerce, involving criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, and such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, knowing that the property involved in the monetary transactions was derived

from specified unlawful activity, as more specifically described below:

Approximate Date	Financial Institution Involved	Approximate Value of Monetary Transaction Exceeding \$10,000
December 9, 2013	Transfer to HD Smith LLC from JP Morgan Chase account# 212106039	\$10, 948

It is further alleged that the specified unlawful activity is health care fraud in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1347.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

FORFEITURE (18 U.S.C. § 982(2)(7))

- 1. The allegations contained in this Indictment are re-alleged and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein for the purpose of alleging forfeiture to the United States of America of certain property in which the defendants, RONALD DIAZ, MERCEDES MAYA, and GLADYS CABRERA, have an interest.
- 2. Upon conviction of any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1347 or 1349, as alleged in Counts 1 through 25 of this Indictment, the defendants shall forfeit to the United States all of their respective right, title, and interest in any property, real or personal, that constitutes or is derived, directly or indirectly, from gross proceeds traceable to the commission of such violation, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(7).
- 3. Upon conviction of the violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957, as alleged in Count 25 of this Indictment, the defendant, **RONALD DIAZ**, shall forfeit to the United States all of his respective right, title, and interest in any property, real or personal, involved in such offense, or any property traceable to such property, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1).

- 4. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to the sum of \$10,428,019 in United States currency, which amount is equal to the gross proceeds traceable to the commission of the violations alleged in this Indictment, which the United States will seek as a forfeiture money judgment as part of the defendants' sentence.
- 5. If the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of the defendants,
 - (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with a third party;
 - (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
 - (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendants up to the value of the above forfeitable property and, in addition, to seek a court order requiring the defendants to return any such property to the jurisdiction of the court for seizure and forfeiture.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(1) and 982(a)(7); and the procedures set forth at Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, as made applicable by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1).

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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Case 1:16-cr-20251-MGC DOCUSOUTHERN DISTRICT COURT

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA vs. RONALD DIAZ, et al.,			CASE NO.	
			CERTIFICATE OF TRIAL ATTORNEY	
		Defendants/	Superseding Case Information:	
Court	Division	n: (Select One)	New Defendant(s) Number of New Defendants	No
<u>X</u>	Miami FTL	Key West FTP	Total number of counts	
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Christopher J. Clark
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Defendant's Name: RONALD DIAZ				
Care Fraud and Wire Fraud				
Section 1349				
(20) years' Imprisonment				
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Section 1957				
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^{*}Refers only to possible term of incarceration, does not include possible fines, restitution, special assessments, parole terms, or forfeitures that may be applicable.

Defendant's Name: MERCEDES MAYA				
Case No:				
Count #: 1				
Conspiracy to Com	mit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud			
Title 18, United Sta	tes Code, Section 1349			
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' Imprisonment			
Counts #: 2-4				
Health Care Fraud				
Title 18, United Sta	ates Code, Section 1347			
*Max. Penalty:	Ten (10) years Imprisonment as to each count			
Count #:				
*Max. Penalty:				

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Defendant's Name: GLADYS CABRERA				
Case No:				
Count #: 1				
Conspiracy to Comm	nit Health Care Fraud and Wire Fraud			
Title 18, United State	es Code, Section 1349			
*Max. Penalty:	Twenty (20) years' Imprisonment			
Counts #: 19-20, 22				
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Title 18, United Star	tes Code, Section 1347			
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